

SERIAL NO. 09/802,254

PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT & TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: NICHOLS  
Serial No.: 09/802,254  
Filed: March 8, 2001

Examiner: Mills, D.  
Group Art Unit: 2616  
Docket No.: H25193 US  
HONY.033PA

Title: SIMULTANEOUS SERIAL TRANSMISSION OF MESSAGES WITH  
DATA FIELD ARBITRATION



CERTIFICATE UNDER 37 CFR 1.8: The undersigned hereby certifies that this Transmittal Letter and the papers, as described herein, are being deposited in the United States Postal Service, as first class mail, in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 on April 16, 2007.

By: Tracey M. Dotter  
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TRANSMITTAL

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Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

We are submitting herewith the following:

- ☒ Transmittal Sheet containing certificate under 37 CFR 1.8.
- ☒ Office Action Amendment and Response (13 pages)
- ☒ Please charge Deposit Account No. 50-3581 (HONY.033PA) in the amount of \$200.00 for payment of the additional claim fees. Authorization is given to charge/credit Deposit Account No. 50-3581 (HONY.033PA) for any deficiencies/overpayments.
- ☒ 1 Return Postcard

FOR:	# Claims after Amendment	Number Extra	Highest # previously paid for	Present Extra	Rate	Additional Claims Fees Due
TOTAL CLAIMS	19	(-) MINUS	20	= 0	x \$50.00	\$ 0.00
INDEP. CLAIMS	4	(-) MINUS	3	= 1	x \$200.00	\$ 200.00
TOTAL PAYMENT						200.00

Respectfully submitted,

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**AMENDMENT & RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.111**

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed February 21, 2007, setting a three (3) month shortened statutory period for response, the Applicant submits the present amendment and response under 37 C.F.R. §1.111.

Claims 1-19 remain pending in the application. Claims 18 and 19 have been added, and no claims have been amended or canceled. The Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration and allowance of all pending claims.

**Listing of the Claims** begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 10 of this paper.

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